

## WHOLE ARMY CAPTURED BY GERMANS

8,500 SERBS  
ARE TAKEN BY  
THE TEUTONS

Berlin Reports Capture of  
King Peter's Soldiers  
During Retreat.

## BULGARS MOST ACTIVE

It Is Claimed That 7,000 of  
the Prisoners Fell Into  
Bulgarian Hands.

Berlin, Nov. 15 (by wireless to  
Saville).—Announcement was  
made by the war office today of  
the capture of 8,500 Serbians, with  
12 cannon. Of these 7,000 prisoners  
and 7 cannon were taken by the  
Bulgarians. Pursuit of the Serbs  
is being continued all along  
the front.

Berlin, Nov. 15, (via London, 2:55  
p. m.).—The text of the official state-  
ment issued today at German army  
headquarters said:

"In the western theatre:

"Northwest of Ecurie a projecting  
trench 300 yards long was captured  
and joined to our positions. On the  
remainder of this front there is nothing  
new to report.

"In the eastern theatre: A Russian  
local attack in the neighborhood of  
Morozovka broke down with heavy losses  
in front of our position.

"Army group of Prince Leopold of  
Saxony: There is nothing to report.  
Men and Guns Captured.

"Army group of General von Lin-  
ingen: In connection with the invasion  
of the enemy lines at Podgacze  
(Vohynia) German and Austro-Hun-  
garian troops yesterday attacked the  
Russian position on the west bank of  
the river Star along their entire ex-  
tension. The Russians were defeat-  
ed. The western bank of the Star has  
been cleared of all Russian troops.

"In the Balkan theatre: Our pur-  
suit continued everywhere. Yesterday  
a total of 8,500 Serbians were made  
prisoners and 12 cannon were cap-  
tured. Of these totals the Bulgarians  
captured 7,000 men and six cannon."

Alles Are Unclear.

Saloniki, Nov. 14 (via London, Nov.  
15).—Uncertainty is apparent at Mon-  
astir on account of a large Bulgarian  
force which is threatening the Perlepe  
front in the Babuna region, although  
the situation at Babuna pass and the  
Katchinko defile is said to be un-  
changed.

It is reported here that three Ger-  
man submarines are using the Bul-  
garian harbor of Varna on the Black  
sea as a base and that three battalions  
of Turkish troops have been sent to  
that port.

British troops and stores continue  
to be landed here, taking to the utmost  
the resources of the port and rail-  
road.

Paris, Nov. 15 (12:35 p. m.).—The  
French war office report today on hos-  
tilities in the east said:

"During the day of Nov. 12 we made  
progress to the north of Rabrovo, in  
the direction of Kosturka. Bulgarian  
troops delivered a violent attack along  
the entire front of the left bank of  
the River Cerna. They were driven  
back with heavy losses."

Fire Sweeps Illinois Town.  
Galesburg, Ill., Nov. 15.—Fire to-  
day swept the village of Oneida, 15  
miles northeast of here. According  
to the first reports eight stores had  
been burned. The Galesburg fire de-  
partment has sent assistance.

Promoting International Highway.  
New Orleans, Nov. 15.—Good roads  
advocates from 11 Mississippi valley  
states and the Canadian province of  
Manitoba began organization here to-  
day of the Jefferson Highway associa-  
tion for an international thoroughfare  
from New Orleans to Winnipeg.

NEWSPAPER MAN  
OF ROCKFORD DIES

J. Stanley Browne, Managing Editor of  
Morning Star and Noted Politi-  
cian, Is Dead.

Rockford, Ill., Nov. 15.—J. Stanley  
Browne, 65 years old, managing editor  
of the Morning Star, died at his home  
here yesterday. He had been promi-  
nent politically for a number of years  
and was a member of various state  
commissions under Governors Yates  
and Deneen. He was a former mem-  
ber of the New York legislature from  
Ulster county.



ROBBED

ANCONA CASE IS  
YET A DARK STUDY

All Word to Reach Government Here  
Is Largely Duplication of  
News Dispatches.

Washington, Nov. 15.—Ambassador  
Thomas Nelson Page, at Rome, cables  
that his conferences at the Italian for-  
eign office thus far have failed to de-  
velop the details or facts concerning  
the sinking of the Italian liner An-  
cona.

The Italian government, according  
to Mr. Page, is having considerable  
difficulty establishing just what oc-  
curred when the vessel went down.

It appeared today that in order to  
obtain officially such information as is  
in the possession of the German and  
Austrian governments instructions  
might be sent to inquire of the admin-  
istrations.

The most connected official narra-  
tive of the rescue of survivors from  
the torpedoed Italian liner Ancona yet  
to reach the state department, arrived  
today by cable from Ambassador Sharp  
at Paris, who transmitted telegrams  
to the French minister of marine from  
the prefect at Bizerta. They follow:

"November 7.—One hundred ship-  
wrecked persons, of which six wound-  
ed, from Ancona, torpedoed Sunday  
noon, brought to Bizerta.

"November 8.—Two torpedo boats  
this evening brought 21 survivors and  
four bodies to Bizerta. Survivors are  
163 out of 480 and are being cared for  
at Sidi Abdallah hospital. The subma-  
rine which sank the Ancona, according  
to information received by me was  
from 85 to 100 metres long and armed  
with two fairly large guns forward  
and two smaller ones aft.

"November 9.—A boat from the An-  
cona arrived this morning at Cape Bon  
with 28 persons, bringing total sur-  
vivors to 187. Of the 161 cared for  
at Sidi Abdallah one is an American  
woman, one is a Russian, 16 are Greeks  
and the balance Italians.

"November 10.—Two of Ancona  
boats have just arrived, one at Zembra  
with 28 survivors, and the other at  
Tunis with 37 others. Total survivors  
223."

This was all the official information  
in the hands of the French govern-  
ment.

Other messages reaching the state  
department today throw no light on  
the incident and are largely dupli-  
cations of news dispatches.

## Repeal in Rockefeller Tax Case.

Cleveland, Ohio, Nov. 15.—Judge  
John H. Clark in the United States dis-  
trict court here today granted an ap-  
peal from his injunction restraining  
County Treasurer P. C. O'Brien from  
collecting taxes on \$31,048,377 from  
John D. Rockefeller, levied by For-  
mer Tax Commissioner William A.  
Agnew and John D. Fackler. The ap-  
peal will be heard before the United States  
circuit court of appeals in Cincinnati.

## Kelly to Get Hearing.

Chicago, Ill., Nov. 15.—Thomas Kelly,  
the Winnipeg, Manitoba, contractor,  
will have a hearing on a writ of  
habeas corpus before Judge Landis in  
the United States district court here  
next Friday.

Last week United States Commis-  
sioner Mason ordered that Kelly be ex-  
tradited to Canada where he is charged  
with frauds totaling \$1,250,000.

Ship Circles  
Hear Report  
Of Disaster

New York, Nov. 15.—There was a re-  
port this morning in maritime circles  
that the steamship Adriatic has been  
sunk but the report did not state  
whether the steamship was the big  
passenger ship of the White Star line  
or was the British steamship Adriatic,  
which left Kymassi, Greece, on Oct.  
12 for Philadelphia and passed Tarifa,  
Spain, Oct. 19.

The White Star liner Adriatic ar-  
rived in Liverpool on Nov. 11 and was  
not scheduled to leave for New York  
until Nov. 24. The other steamship  
Adriatic should be about in mid-At-  
lantic today.

David Lindsay, assistant to Mr. Jef-  
fries, the passenger manager of the  
White Star line, said that he was pos-  
itive that the Adriatic was still at  
Liverpool.

"The Adriatic was heavily laden  
when she left New York," said Mr.  
Lindsay. "And it would take at least  
three days to unload her and as many  
more to load the steamship for her re-  
turn voyage to this port. She was not  
scheduled to sail for New York until  
Nov. 24."

The Adriatic was built in 1906 and  
cost nearly \$4,000,000. She has a gross  
tonnage of 24,541.

BROADWAY CAYER  
THAN EVER BEFORE

New York Hotels Doing An Unpre-  
cedented Business—Buyers Come  
From All Over World.

New York, Nov. 15.—New York hot-  
els are enjoying an era of almost un-  
precedented prosperity. Many of them  
are unable to accommodate the in-  
creasing number of guests. This is  
attributed in part to the arrival of  
many purchasing agents and their ex-  
tensive suites sent here by England,  
France, Russia and Italy.

Agents from stores in South Amer-  
ica, Central America, the West Indies  
and Canada, who formerly went to  
London, Paris or Berlin, are here to  
do their buying for the first time.  
Buyers and visitors from the west are  
arriving at the rate of 2,000 a week at  
a time when the hotels usually are  
crowded from the smaller eastern cit-  
ies and nearby country districts.

## THE WEATHER

Forecast Till 7 P. M. Tomorrow, for  
Rock Island, Davenport, Moline  
and Vicinity.

Fair tonight and Tuesday, rising  
temperature with the lowest tonight  
slightly below freezing.

Temperature at 7 a. m. 19. Highest  
yesterday 36, lowest last night 18.

Velocity of wind at 7 a. m. 8 miles  
per hour.

Precipitation none.  
Relative humidity at 7 p. m. 86, at  
7 a. m. 88, at 1 p. m. today 45.  
Stage of water 4.2, a fall of 4 in last  
48 hours.  
J. M. SHERIER, Local Forecaster.

MUNDAY DEFENSE  
HITS AT BANKERS

Attorney for Defendant Opens Attacks  
Against James Forgan and  
Charles Dawes.

Morris, Ill., Nov. 15.—Attacks on  
James B. Forgan and Charles G.  
Dawes, Chicago bankers, were made by  
Attorney C. F. Hanson today in open-  
ing the second argument for the de-  
fense in the trial of C. B. Munday,  
charged with conspiring to wreck the  
La Salle Street Trust and Savings  
bank of Chicago. Mr. Hanson charged  
that Munday had been persecuted.

Chicago, Nov. 15.—The probate court  
of Cook county, according to the de-  
cision of the appellate court today, is  
not a preferred creditor of the defunct  
La Salle Street Trust and Savings  
bank.

William C. Niblack, receiver for the  
bank, said its stockholders on their  
stock liabilities, which are said to be  
\$500,000 short of the \$1,500,000 liabil-  
ities of the bank.

"The appellate court held that to al-  
low the probate court to sue the stock-  
holders would give it an advantage  
over other creditors.

SUB MAKES MOVIE OF  
SINKING STEAMSHIP

Nice, France, Nov. 15, (5:15 a. m.).—  
Captain Rafael of the steamer France,  
which was sunk by a submarine in the  
Mediterranean on Nov. 7, is authority  
for the statement that while the crew  
was getting into the small boats the  
submarine approached to within 100  
feet of the France and when all the  
sailors were safely off the ship, group-  
ed the boats together with the steamer  
as a background, after which moving  
pictures were taken of the scene.

INFANTRY FIRING  
IS MAIN ATTACK

French War Office Tells of Heavy En-  
gagements in the Artois Re-  
gion—German Loss Big.

Paris, Nov. 15, (2:35 p. m.).—In-  
fantry firing has been going on with-  
out interruption in "the labyrinth,"  
according to announcement made this  
afternoon by the French war office.  
Previous reports that the losses of  
the Germans on Nov. 14 were very  
heavy have been confirmed.

The text of the communication fol-  
lows:

In the Artois district at "the laby-  
rinth" the fighting between infantry  
forces, together with the throwing of  
hand grenades, continued without in-  
terruption last night. It has been con-  
firmed that the losses of the enemy  
during the action of Nov. 14 were very  
heavy.

In the Champagne district the Ger-  
mans have attacked with hand  
grenades the barriers erected in front  
of our listening posts at Batte de Ta-  
hure. They were repulsed.

In the Woivreux to the north of  
Cirey, the explosion of one of our  
mines together with the sustained  
fire of our trench guns, overwhelmed  
the enemy and demolished his sapping  
works."

WILSON AIDS  
ONE CASTING  
ILL REMARKS

President Orders Reinstatement of Man Who Was  
Discharged for Criticism

## DID NOT APPROVE STEP

Comments Upon Announce-  
ment of Engagement of  
National Head.

Washington, Nov. 15.—President  
Wilson today instructed Postmaster  
General Burleson to reinstate George  
Burkitt, removed as assistant postmas-  
ter at Winnetka, Ill., because he criti-  
cized the president for his engage-  
ment to be married. The president  
qualified his instructions by telling the  
postmaster general that Burkitt should  
be restored to his position if there  
were no other charges against him.

Announcement of this action was  
made today by Secretary Tumulty,  
after a brief conference with President  
Wilson. It was said unofficially that  
the president entirely approved of dis-  
charging Burkitt for making the re-  
marks accredited to him.

In published correspondence be-  
tween Burkitt and Postmaster Kloepper  
of Winnetka, it was stated that  
Burkitt had been given demerits for  
other things than the remarks about  
the president's engagement. That  
Burkitt denied. The president did not  
go into that feature in his instruction  
to Postmaster General Burleson, but  
made it clear that Burkitt should not  
be discharged for merely expressing  
the view that a man should not become  
engaged within a year after the death  
of his wife.

## Publicity Annoying.

It was stated at the White House  
that Mr. Burleson had no knowledge  
of the case before it was called to his  
attention by publication in newspa-  
pers. The discharge of Burkitt was  
provided by Assistant Postmaster Gen-  
eral Roper after an exchange of let-  
ters with Burkitt.

Burkitt protested he had not had an  
opportunity to reply to the charges as  
required by civil service laws. Mr.  
Roper informed him that the law had  
been complied with by a letter sent to  
Burkitt by the postmaster, notifying  
him of the charge of showing disrespect  
to the president.

White House officials were annoyed  
by the publicity given to the case and  
it was expected that Postmaster Gen-  
eral Burleson would act immediately  
on the president's instructions.

## To Be Restored.

When the postoffice department's  
statement saying Burkitt still was  
under suspension and that the other  
charges against him were being in-  
vestigated reached the White house, it  
was stated that orders were on their  
way to Postmaster General Burleson  
to reinstate the man and it was made  
plain that he was to be restored to his  
place regardless of other demerits  
against him.

SWISS CELEBRATES  
AUSTRIAN DEFEAT

Berne, Nov. 14, (via Paris, 10:15 p.  
m.).—The anniversary of the battle of  
Morgarten in 1315 which marked the  
origin of Swiss liberty, was celebrated  
today. President Motta delivered an  
address in which he declared Switzer-  
land must avoid doing anything which  
would tend to cause a division in their  
country and must take every step pos-  
sible to unify itself.

The revolting Swiss 1,400 strong un-  
der Unterwalden defeated 15,000 Aus-  
trians under Duke Leopold in the  
mountain pass at Morgarten on Nov.  
15, 1315. Fifteen hundred Austrians  
perished.

## Injured Playing Football.

Middletown, Conn., Nov. 15.—John  
R. Stoddard of Greenwich, Conn., a  
student at Wesleyan, is in a serious  
condition at the hospital here, it was  
learned today, as the result of injuries  
suffered in football practice at the  
university two weeks ago.

## Governor to Visit Joliet.

Springfield, Ill., Nov. 15.—Governor  
Dunne plans to leave here at noon to-  
morrow for Joliet where he will at-  
tend a banquet in the evening to be  
given by the Joliet Commercial asso-  
ciation. The governor is to participate  
in a discussion of good roads.

## Supreme Court in Recess.

Washington, Nov. 15.—The supreme  
court today recessed until Monday,  
Nov. 29, for its usual Thanksgiving  
holiday.

Trying to Dry  
Up Only Wet  
Spot in Town

Chicago, Nov. 15.—Facing charges of  
assault with a deadly weapon and vi-  
olation of the Sunday closing law, Cap-  
tain George Wellington Streeter pre-  
pared to appear in court today to de-  
fend his claim as owner of the  
"Streeterville," a strip of filled-in  
land on the shore of Lake Michigan,  
said to be worth millions of dollars.

Captain Streeter, his wife and 14  
other persons were arrested yester-  
day after the police had fought a  
battle in which a score of shots were  
fired. Mrs. Nonie Holist, a follower  
of Streeter, received a bullet wound  
in the thigh, while Streeter himself  
sustained two deep scalp wounds,  
which he says were caused by a shot  
from a police pistol.

Since the Sunday closing law went  
into effect in Chicago, the "district of  
Lake Michigan," as Streeter calls the  
property he claims, has been the only  
"wet spot" in the city. Thousands of  
bottles of beer have been sold there  
to a thirsty public every Sunday.

Streeter claims that the property,  
which is located near the fashionable  
Lake Shore Drive residence section,  
is neither under the jurisdiction of the  
state nor city officials. He came  
there 20 years ago with his wife, when  
their vessel was wrecked on a sand  
bar. The sand filled in between the  
shore line until the land Streeter  
claims comprised several blocks.

Streeter charges the police seized  
all of the documents by which he  
hopes to establish his claims to the  
land.

"The Chicago Title and Trust com-  
pany brought this," Streeter said.  
"First they offered me \$200,000 for my  
rights, and then \$300,000, and because  
I refused they are trying to drive me  
out."

## Hold Body of Prime Minister.

Halifax, N. S., Nov. 15.—The body  
of Sir Charles Tupper, a former prime  
minister of Canada, is lying in state  
today in the Nova Scotia provincial  
parliament building.

## THE WAR TODAY

Capture of 8,500 Serbians is re-  
ported by German headquarters in  
today's official statement. The  
Bulgarian forces operating in  
Serbia took 7,000 of these, to-  
gether with seven cannon. The  
Serbians continue to be driven  
back all along the line, it is un-  
announced.

Berlin claims a somewhat de-  
cided success for German arms  
along the Stry river. General von  
Linsingen's troops have cleared  
the entire western bank of the  
river of Russians, it is declared.

The Russians appear to have be-  
gun an offensive movement in a  
new region, the German war office  
reporting attacks near Smorgon,  
east of Vilna, which were repulsed.

In the latest official report by  
the Italian general staff progress  
for the Italians in the fighting on  
the Isonzo front is claimed. Ad-  
vances are declared to have been  
made on the heights northwest of  
Gorizia in the Piave basin and on  
Javorcek.

General Borovich of the Aus-  
trian army is quoted in a Berlin  
dispatch as declaring that the Ital-  
ian offensive has not even denied  
the Austrian line in the Isonzo re-  
gion. The Austrians under Gen-  
eral Borovich have maintained all  
positions as they existed when he  
took charge of them before the be-  
ginning of active hostilities, he as-  
serts.

Saloniki hears that German sub-  
marines are using the Bulgarian  
harbor of Varna on the Black sea  
as a base of operations. Varna has  
been mentioned as one of the har-  
bors where Russia would be likely  
to land troops for an invasion of  
Bulgaria.

Latest reports from Rome indi-  
cate that 208 persons were lost in  
the sinking of the Italian liner  
Ancona by a submarine, 299 being  
saved out of a total of 507 on  
board.

On the front in northern France  
the Germans announce the capture  
of a projecting French trench 300  
yards long northeast of Ecurie, the  
new position being consolidated  
with the German line at that point.  
The Germans suffered very heavy  
losses in their attack of yesterday,  
the French statement declares.

The Venizelos party in Greece,  
which favors the allied cause, may  
not take part in the coming elec-  
tions, according to a dispatch from  
Athens to Paris.

In a statement in the house of  
commons outlining his reasons for  
retiring from the British cabinet,  
Winston Spencer Churchill, declared  
that the project for sending a  
British force to the relief of Ant-  
werp in October, 1914, originated  
with Earl Kitchener and the  
French government. Several thou-  
sands of good British in this expe-  
dition escaped across the border  
and were interned in Holland when  
the city fell.

STRAITS ARE  
REAL OBJECT  
FOR CONTROL

Churchill Declares Before  
Commons That Darda-  
nelles Worth Effort.

## TAKE AT ANY PRICE

Former Chancellor Asserts  
Project Greatest Prize of  
the World's Offerings.

London, Nov. 15.—In a speech in the  
house of commons today Winston  
Churchill, who resigned last week as  
chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster,  
declared that if any operations in the  
history of the world were worth car-  
rying through with sustained fury and  
utter disregard of life, the operations  
in the Dardanelles are worth it.

"We are passing through a bad  
time which probably will be worse be-  
fore it is better, but it will be bet-  
ter," Mr. Churchill said. "If we endure,  
the campaign of 1916 should be de-  
cided against Germany by her short-  
age of men."

Regarding the Dardanelles, Mr.  
Churchill declared that the admiral on  
the spot said they could not be taken  
with a rush but that the fortifications  
might be reduced gradually by bom-  
bardment. Admiral Sir John Fisher,  
then first sea lord, was opposed to a  
reduction of Great Britain's naval  
strength in home waters but never  
criticized the method of attack on the  
Dardanelles.

Mr. Churchill declared he did not  
receive clear guidance from Admiral  
Fisher before the expedition was de-  
cided on or the subsequent firm sup-  
port which he was entitled to.

## Explains Antwerp Relief.

Mr. Churchill said to the house of  
commons today that the project for  
sending an army to the relief of Ant-  
werp originated with Field Marshal  
Kitchener and the French government.  
Mr. Churchill made this statement in  
outlining the reasons for his resigna-  
tion from the cabinet and explaining  
his administration of the admiralty of  
which he formerly was first lord.

In October of last year a force of  
British marines was sent to Antwerp  
to assist in the defense of the city  
against the Germans. A short time  
after the arrival of the expedition the  
city fell. Several thousand British  
escaped across the border and were  
interned in Holland.

Some of the severest criticism of Mr.  
Churchill's administration of the ad-  
miralty was in connection with this  
venture. It was asserted with this  
was inadequate and was dispatched  
when it was too late. Mr. Churchill  
replied that it had been intended to  
send larger bodies of troops but that  
subsequent developments made this  
impossible. As it was, he said the  
German advance was delayed.

ISSUES WARRANT  
TO GET SALARIES

State Treasurer Announces Intention  
of Taking Step to Get Back Pay  
for Employees.

Springfield, Ill., Nov. 15.—State  
Treasurer Andrew Russell announced  
today that he was issuing salary war-  
rants for pay from June to date for all  
state employees whose status will not  
be further questioned by Attorney Fay-  
ette S. Monro.

The following employees, whom  
Monro had held were state officers,  
were privileged to draw their pay:

All secretaries, accountants, engi-  
neers, statisticians and experts ques-  
tioned, under the public utilities com-  
mission; assistant grain inspectors,  
grain clerks, supervising examiner  
under the grain inspection depart-  
ment; live stock inspectors, state agents  
under the live stock commission, sec-  
retary insurance examiners under the  
insurance department; biologists, en-  
tomologists, chief clerk, bacteriologists,  
food inspectors, under the food de-  
partment; engineers and chief clerk  
under the state highway commission;  
secretary of the rivers and lakes com-  
mission; inspectors mine rescue com-  
mission; accountants and appointees  
under Illinois waterway commission;  
industrial examiner for industrial  
board and director, engineers and  
chemists of state water surveys.

Many of those whose salaries war-  
rants were issued today have been  
practically penniless, although work-  
ing steadily for the state since the  
Fergus suits were filed in the Sangamon  
county circuit court here early in  
July.